

**CITY OF GAUTIER
MEMORANDUM**

To: Paula Yancey, City Manager
From: April Havens, Grants & Projects Administrator
Date: October 13, 2016
Subject: Allen Road Easement – Chet Smith

REQUEST:

The Grants & Projects Administrator requests authorization to purchase an easement from Chet Smith to allow for the proper installation of drainage for the Allen Road Improvements Project and approve the payment.

BACKGROUND:

City Council approved entering into a Capital Improvements Revolving Loan Program (CAP) Agreement (Order # 199-2012, August 21, 2012) with the Mississippi Development Authority to complete capital improvements on Allen Road. The improvements consisted of repaving and widening from the west end of the lake to just past Dobson Road. Floore Industrial Contractors, of Moss Point, received the \$643,000 construction contract. This project is not yet finally accepted. The City requested a CAP loan extension to allow time for a punch list to be completed by the contractor and have the project finally accepted, but MDA did not approve that extension. The CAP loan dictates that all expenses must be paid by Oct. 28, 2016.

DISCUSSION:

While installing drainage for the project, the contractor needed additional right of way and infringed upon Chet Smith's right of way. An easement is needed to install proper drainage in this area of the project. Based upon previous appraisals of property along Allen Road, an offer is being negotiated that represents the approximate value of 2,363 square feet of property (waiting on engineer).

RECOMMENDATION:

The Grants & Projects Administrator recommends that City Council authorize the purchase of an easement from Chet Smith for the Allen Road Improvements Project and approve the payment.

The City Council may:

1. Authorize the purchase of an easement from Chet Smith for the Allen Road Improvements Project and approve the payment; or
2. Not authorize the purchase of an easement from Chet Smith for the Allen Road Improvements Project and not approve the payment.